### Comparability

### Purpose – NCLB –Title I, Part A Section 1120 A. Fiscal Requirement

- Comparable Services Title I Schools with Non-Title I Schools
- •Substantially Comparable Services All Title I Schools

#### **Basis for Comparability**

Grade Span

OR

Districtwide

#### **Annual Due Dates**

- •LEA completes comparability report annually.
- No later than October 30
- •LEA submits comparability report (including assurance form, if required) to NCLB Consultant for review

#### **Annual Deadlines**

- •No later than December 1 Should adjustments to staffing be necessary to achieve comparability.
- •The LEA submits a revised report to the NCLB Consultant.

# Comparability Reporting Requirements - Forms

- •All LEAs Form ED-1910-A General Information
- •Completing Form ED-1910-A will determine whether a full comparability report must be made.

# Forms ED-1910-B1 and B2 Detailed School Data

All LEAs except those with one school per grade span.

# Form ED-1910-D Assurance Form

Required of all LEAs that must demonstrate comparability

# Form ED-1910-C1 Optional

May be used to assist in determining grade spans and/or grouping.

# Forms ED-1910-C2 and C3 Required

- Record FTE staff
- LEA may use local form containing same information
- One of each form should be completed for each school being compared

#### Form ED-1910-C2

- For certified instructional personnel
- •Teachers, administrators, instructional facilitators, librarians, guidance, psychological personnel assigned to this school
- Exclude all pre-school personnel

#### Form ED-1910-C3

- •For Non-certified instructional personnel
- •Paraprofessionals and clerical personnel who assist instructional staff
- •Exclude all Pre-K, custodial, food service, other personnel not providing instructional support
- •1.0 FTE non-certified instructional position is equal to .5 FTE for comparability calculations

#### Supporting Documentation Maintain on File

- Student enrollment
- Personnel information contained on Forms C2 and C3
- Number of low income students
- •Documentation for requirements Section 200.79, Title I, 34 CFR

- You must count all schools in the LEA including charter schools
- Do not include Pre-K personnel or students

•You may choose to exclude schools with enrollments of 100 or fewer students. List at bottom of Form ED-1910-A

# **General Instructions Data Collection Date**

•Student enrollment, FTE instructional staff, number of low income students should be from the same reporting period of the current school year and consistent for all schools.

- •State fiscal stabilization funds under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 are considered state funds for comparability calculations.
- Applies to both certified and non-certified personnel

# General Instructions If all schools are Title I

- Comparability must still be done.
- Compare highest poverty schools with lowest poverty schools
- •No more than 50% of Title I schools used for lowest poverty average.

- •Submit all required forms electronically to your assigned NCLB Consultant no later than October 30
- •Form ED-1910-A and Form ED-1910-D require signatures. Mail originals to your assigned NCLB Consultant.

#### **Contact Information**

For technical assistance, contact your assigned NCLB Consultant